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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the *Ex Parte Quayle* Office Action mailed September 19, 2005 and includes a request for a four (4) month extension of time.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.